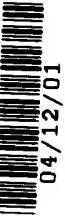


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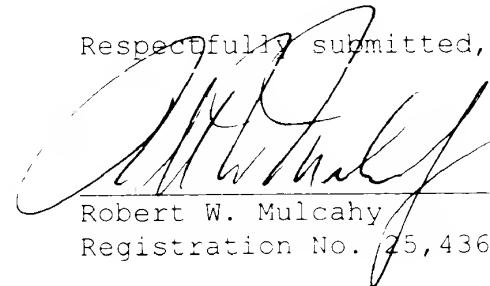
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following Information Disclosure Statement. The form PTO-1449 submitted, lists references which the Examiner may consider to be relevant. These documents are not necessarily analogous art. Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be considered by the Examiner, and that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a signed copy of the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of all the cited references are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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